

In re: Adam William Saxler et al.

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REMARKS

This response is submitted in reply to the Office Action dated June 11, 2004 (hereinafter "Office Action"). In the Office Action, the Examiner identifies the following species of the claimed invention:

Species 1 – Figures 1-3;

Species 2 – Figure 4;

Species 3 – Figure 5; and

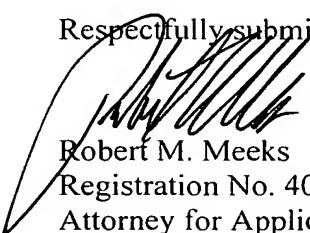
Species 4 – Figure 6.

The Office Action also notes that Claims 1 and 42 are generic.

In response, Applicants elect Species 1 (illustrated in Figures 1-3) for prosecution. Applicants submit that generic independent Claims 1 and 42 and at least dependent Claims 2, 3, 5, 7-37, 40, 41 and 43-46 read on Species 1. The Applicants respectfully request substantive examination of Claims 1-3, 5, 7-37, and 40-46, which read on Species 1. Upon allowance of one of the indicated generic claims, the Applicants request consideration of additional species that include all the limitations of an allowed generic claim.

Applicants respectfully submit that this application is now in condition for substantive examination, which action is requested. If any extension of time for the accompanying response or submission is required, Applicants request that this be considered a petition therefor. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fee, which may be required, or credit any refund, to our Deposit Account No. 50-0220.

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